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WHILE MALIANS ACKNOWLEDGE POSSIBILITY OF SLIPPAGE OF ABIDJAN CONFERENCE TO APRIL, MOST ARE FAIRLY FIRM IN BELIEF THAT IT WILL BE HELD WITH NEXT FEW MONTHS. WHILE THEIR PREFERENCE SINCE LAST JUNE'S SUMMIT CONTINUES TO BE FOR BROADEST POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION IN CEAO, MALIANS ARE NEVERTHELESS REALISTIC AND ARE PHILOSOPHICAL IN BELIEVING THAT IF BASIC CORE IS ESTABLISHED, OTHER NATIONS MAY JOIN LATER. ONE SPECIFIC GOAL FOR MALIANS ALL ALONG, OF COURSE, HAS BEEN IVORIAN PARTICIPATION. IF THIS ACHIEVED, AND IVORIAN ASSISTANCE TO LAND- LOCKED MEMBERS IS FORTHCOMING, MUCH ALREADY WILL BE GAINED FROM MALIAN POINT OF VIEW. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN MAURITANIA AND MALIAN APPRECIATION OF NIGERIAN SITUATION VIS A VIS LAGOS FOSTER OUR BELIEVE THAT MALIANS ARE WILLING, IF THEY MUST, TO GO THROUGH ON CEAO WITH (INITIAL) PARTICIPATION LIMITED TO SENEGAL, IVORY COAST, UPPER VOLTA, AND MALI. DECONTROL SEPTEMBER 9, 1973.

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